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SUMMARY: WE HAVE DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY OF GOC FUNDING PORTION OF AUB SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM WITH CONCERNED GOC OFFICIALS. REACTIONS WERE MIXED. ALL EMPHASIZED PROCEDURAL DIFFICULTIES INVOLVED; TWO OFFICIALS SUGGESTED THAT THEY WOULD PREFER REDUCED PROGRAM TO GOC PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER, ALL AGREED ON VALUE AND IMPORTANCE OF PROGRAM, EXPRESSED HOPE IT WOULD REMAIN INTACT, AND SAID GOC WOULD GIVE FULL CONSIDERATION TO PARTICIPATION IF EMBASSY SUBJITTED FORMAL PROPOSAL. SHALL WE DO SO? END SUMMARY

1. ECON OFF HAS DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY OF GOC FUNDING PORTION OF AUB SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM WITH GOC SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIRWOMAN, HEAD OF FONOFF CULTURAL SECTION AND CONCERNED PLANNING BUREAU OFFICER. ALL NOTED THAT GOC NOW PAYS ROUND TRIP TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES AND PARTIAL SALARY FOR GOC EMPLOYEES WHO WIN
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SCHOLARSHIPS BUT THAT PRIVATE GRANTEES, INCLUDING ALL TURKISH CYPRIOTS, PAY THEIR WON WAY.

2. IDEA OF JOINT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM HELD LITTLE IMMEDIATE APPEAL TO OFFICIALS. TWO OFFICIALS, SPEAKING PERSONALLY, SAID THEY WOULD PREFER FEWER SCHOLARSHIPS, FULLY FINANCED BY AID, TO THE MAINTENANCE OF CURRENT LEVELS BY MEANS OF GOC PARTICIPATION. THEY BASED THEIR CONCERN ON THE PRECEDENT GOC PARTICIPATION MIGHT SET FOR OTHER BILATERAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS, ON WHAT THEY CONSIDER THE NEGATIVE PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE NEED FOR THE GOC TO PICK UP PART OF WHAT HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE U. S. TAB AND, AND THE FACT THAT GOC NOW HAS ITS OWN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM WHICH NEEDS FINANCING. ON OTHER HAND, FONOFF OFFICIAL SAID HE WOULD SUPPORT ANY FORMAL PROPOSAL WE SUBMITTED. ALL THREE EXPRESSED THEIR FEARS THAT EAST EUROPEAN SCHOLARSHIPS WOULD FILL ANY GAP RESULTING FROM REDUCTION IN AUB SCHOLARSHIPS, AND SAID GOC IS UNDER CONSTANT PRESSURE FROM COMMUNIST GOVERNMENTS TO ACCEPT MORE SCHOLARSHIP AID.

3. MORE SPECIFICALLY, THESE DISCUSSIONS INDICATED THAT GOC MIGHT AGREE TO SOME FORMULA BY WHICH IT WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO SCHOLARSHIPS OF GOC EMPLOYEES, BUT THAT IT WOULD FIND IT DIFFICULT TO SUPPORT PRIVATE SCHOLARSHIPS (READ TURKS). WE MIGHT PURSUE THE POSSIBILITY OF GOC CONTRIBUTION TO CIVIL SERVANT SCHOLARSHIPS WITH SUGGESTION THAT GOC FINANCE FULLY TWO OF THE AUB SCHOLARSHIPS ANNUALLY, ONE IN EDUCATION AND ONE IN AGRICULTURE. BOTH OF THESE SLOTS ALREADY GO TO GOC EMPLOYEES. IN OUR BOOKS WE WOULD REGARD SUM MADE AVAILABLE AS A PROPORTIONATE CONTRIBUTION TO ENTIRE PROGRAM. THUS, FROM OUR STANDPOINT, GOC WOULD IN EFFECT BE PARTICIPATING IN SUPPORT FOR PRIVATE GRANTEES. HOWEVER, FROM GOC STANDPOINT, CONTRIBUTION WOULD BE FOR EXCLUSIVE SUPPORT OF CIVIL SERVANT SCHOLARSHIPS.

4. ANOTHER POSSIBILITY WOULD BE TO SUGGEST THAT THE GOC PAYMENT BE CHANNEDLED TO A. I. D. THROUGH THE CYPRUS FULBRIGHT COMMISSION, WHICH DOES IN FACT PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT FOR THE AID/ AUB PROGRAM. GOC
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ALREADY CONTRIBUTES ABOUT $5,000 ANNUALLY TO THE COMMISSION AND MIGHT CONSIDER AN ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTION EARMARKED FOR THE AUB PROGRAM . THIS MIGHT GET AROUND THE PUBLIC/ PRIVATE SCHOLARSHIP PROBLEM AND MIGHT OFFER A VIABLE SOLUTION.

5. IT EVIDENT THAT CHANCES OF MEANINGFUL GOC PARTICIPATION ($10,000-$15,000 ANNUALLY) ARE NOT GREAT. HOWEVER, THE

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POSSIBILITIES OUTLINED ABOVE SEEM SUFFICIENTLY VIABLE TO PURSUE. NEST STEP WOULD BE DIPLOMATIC NOTE OUTLINING THE FUTURE OF THE PROGRAM AS NOW FUNDED AND STATING THE KIND OF PARTICIPATION WE SEEK.

6. PLEASE ADVISE.
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